

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A fabrication method of forming a trenched DMOS device and a
2 termination structure thereof, the method comprising:
 - 3 forming an N- epitaxial layer on an N+ silicon substrate;
 - 4 forming an oxide layer on the N- epitaxial layer;
 - 5 patterning the oxide layer to form a termination oxide layer therein to define
6 an exposed active area of the DMOS device;
 - 7 implanting P-type ions into the active area by using the termination oxide
8 layer as a mask to form a P body in the N- epitaxial layer;
 - 9 recessing the N- epitaxial layer to form a plurality of DMOS trenches in the P
10 body by patterning and etching, the DMOS trenches having bottoms which extend beneath a
11 bottom of the P body;
 - 12 forming a gate oxide layer over exposed surfaces of the P body;
 - 13 depositing a polysilicon layer over exposed surfaces and also filling the
14 DMOS trenches;
 - 15 recessing the polysilicon layer to form a plurality of polysilicon gates and a
16 polysilicon plate by patterning and etching, wherein the polysilicon gates are positioned in
17 the DMOS trenches and the polysilicon plate is positioned over the termination oxide layer
18 and a portion of the gate oxide layer disposed adjacent the termination oxide layer;
 - 19 implanting N-type ions into the P body by using the polysilicon plate and the
20 termination oxide layer as a mask to form a plurality of N+ diffused regions;
 - 21 forming an isolation layer over exposed surfaces after implanting the N-type
22 ions;
 - 23 patterning and anisotropically etching the isolation layer and the gate oxide
24 layer to form a plurality of body contact windows over the N+ diffused regions, and a first
25 contact window over the polysilicon plate;
 - 26 implanting P-type ions through the body contact windows to form a plurality
27 of P+ diffused regions; and
 - 28 forming a source metal contact layer disposed over the isolation layer, and
29 filling the body contact windows and the first contact window.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the oxide layer on the N- epitaxial
2 layer is formed by thermal oxidation.

1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the gate oxide layer is formed over the
2 exposed surfaces of the P body by thermal oxidation.

1 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising forming a drain metal
2 contact layer on a back surface of the N⁺ silicon substrate.

1 5. The method of claim 4, further comprising removing unnecessary
2 layers formed on the back surface of the N⁺ silicon substrate prior to forming the drain metal
3 contact layer.

1 6. The method of claim 5, wherein the unnecessary layers formed on the
2 back surface of the N⁺ silicon substrate are removed by chemical mechanical polishing.

1 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising forming a sacrificial oxide
2 layer on the active area after forming the termination oxide layer.

1 8. The method of claim 6, further comprising removing the sacrificial
2 oxide layer by etching after forming the DMOS trenches but before forming the gate oxide
3 layer.

1 9. The method of claim 1, wherein the polysilicon plate comprises a
2 portion extending toward one of the DMOS trenches disposed closest to the polysilicon plate.

1 10. The method of claim 1, wherein anisotropically etching the isolation
2 layer to form the body contact windows and the first contact window includes a two-step
3 etching process which comprises:

4 removing portions of the isolation layer and the gate oxide layer by etching to
5 form the body contact windows and the first contact window; and

6 removing an exposed portion of the polysilicon plate at the first contact
7 window, and removing an exposed portion of the N⁺ diffused regions at the body contact
8 windows.

1 11. The method of claim 1, wherein patterning and anisotropically etching
2 to form the body contact windows and the first contact window comprises removing the
3 isolation layer and the gate oxide layer by etching while using the polysilicon plate and the
4 N⁺ diffused regions as etch stop layers.

1 12. The method of claim 1, wherein implanting P-type ions through the
2 body contact windows to form the plurality of P+ diffused regions comprises providing a
3 sufficient dose of the P-type ions to change an electric polarity of the N+ diffused region
4 exposed by the body contact windows to the P+ diffused regions.

1 13. The method of claim 1, wherein the isolation layer comprises doped
2 silicate glass.

1 14. The method of claim 1, wherein the source metal contact layer
2 comprises a stack of Ti, TiN, and AlSiCu alloy layers.

1 15. A method of forming a trenched DMOS device and a termination
2 structure thereof, the method comprising:

3 providing an N+ silicon substrate, an N- epitaxial layer on the N+ silicon
4 substrate, a termination oxide layer on the N- epitaxial layer, a P body in the N- epitaxial
5 layer, a plurality of DMOS trenches extending through the P body into the N-epitaxial layer,
6 and a gate oxide layer over exposed surfaces of the P body;

7 forming a trenched DMOS device having a plurality of polysilicon gates
8 disposed in the DMOS trenches, and a polysilicon plate disposed over the termination oxide
9 layer and over a portion of the gate oxide layer disposed adjacent the termination oxide layer;

10 implanting N-type ions into a portion of the P body not covered by the
11 polysilicon plate and termination oxide layer to form a plurality of N+ diffused regions;

12 forming an isolation layer over exposed surfaces after implanting the N-type
13 ions;

14 patterning and etching the isolation layer and the gate oxide layer to form a
15 plurality of body contact windows over the N+ diffused regions, and a first contact window
16 over the polysilicon plate;

17 implanting P-type ions through the body contact windows to form a plurality
18 of P+ diffused regions; and

19 forming a source metal contact layer over the isolation layer, and filling the
20 body contact windows and the first contact window.

1 16. The method of claim 15, further comprising forming a drain metal
2 contact layer on a back surface of the N+ silicon substrate.

1 17. The method of claim 15, wherein the polysilicon plate comprises a
2 portion extending toward one of the DMOS trenches disposed closest to the polysilicon plate.

1 18. A trench DMOS device having a termination structure, the trench
2 DMOS device comprising:

3 a trenched DMOS device including an N+ silicon substrate, an N- epitaxial
4 layer on the N+ silicon substrate, a termination oxide layer on the N- epitaxial layer, a P body
5 in the N- epitaxial layer, a plurality of DMOS trenches extending through the P body into the
6 N-epitaxial layer, and a gate oxide layer over exposed surfaces of the P body, a plurality of
7 polysilicon gates disposed in the DMOS trenches, and a polysilicon plate disposed over the
8 termination oxide layer and over a portion of the gate oxide layer disposed adjacent the
9 termination oxide layer;

10 a plurality of N+ diffused regions formed in a portion of the P body not
11 covered by the polysilicon plate and termination oxide layer;

12 an isolation layer formed over exposed surfaces after implanting the N-type
13 ions, the isolation layer including a plurality of body contact windows extending through the
14 isolation layer and the gate oxide layer over the N+ diffused regions, and a first contact
15 window extending through the isolation layer over the polysilicon plate;

16 a plurality of P+ diffused regions formed in the N+ diffused regions at the
17 body contact windows; and

18 a source metal contact layer disposed over the isolation layer, and filling the
19 body contact windows and the first contact window.

1 19. The trench DMOS device of claim 18, further comprising a drain metal
2 contact layer on a back surface of the N+ silicon substrate.

1 20. The trench DMOS device of claim 18, wherein the polysilicon plate
2 comprises a portion extending toward one of the DMOS trenches disposed closest to the
3 polysilicon plate.

1 21. The trench DMOS device of claim 18, wherein the isolation layer
2 comprises doped silicate glass.

1 22. The trench DMOS device of claim 18, wherein the source metal
2 contact layer comprises a stack of Ti, TiN, and AlSiCu alloy layers.

1 23. A method of forming a trenched DMOS device and a termination
2 structure thereof simultaneously, the method comprising:
3 providing a silicon substrate with an epitaxial layer formed thereon, and a
4 body region defined by doping the epitaxial layer;
5 selectively etching the body region to form a plurality of DMOS trenches
6 therein;
7 forming a gate oxide layer over exposed surfaces in the body region and a
8 termination oxide layer to cover the body region;
9 depositing a polysilicon layer over exposed surfaces;
10 selectively etch the polysilicon layer to form a plurality of polysilicon gates in
11 the DMOS trenches and a polysilicon plate having an extending portion toward the body
12 region over the termination oxide layer;
13 forming sources in the body region by using the polysilicon plate as a mask;
14 and
15 forming an isolation layer and then a source metal contact layer over exposed
16 surfaces, the isolation layer protecting the polysilicon gates, the source metal contact layer
17 grounding the body region and the polysilicon plate.